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Synopsis

Tom Granger, who is working his way thru Pomeroy College, is in a class room. Present are also his rival, Merton Randolph and Nita O'Neil. While Tom is assuring his friends that he will do his best to win the annual Cross Country Run, Merton steals a very important theme paper and throws it out the window. Tom sees him at the window. When the class begins, the professor is greatly disturbed by the invasion of the room by J. Rupert O'Reilly, Jr. and his assistant Steve Murphy, who respectively fix the radiator and clean the windows amid much din. When Tom discovers that his theme has gone, he suspects Merton, gets permission to go outside and finds it under the window. After the class, he accuses Merton of the crime, but has no evidence and Merton laughs the accusation off.

In practise, it is apparent to Merton that Tom will surely beat him the Cross Country Run. Merton therefore conspires with two men and pays them to abduct Tom and keep him away during the race.

The night before the race, Tom finds it necessary to go to the house of the President of the College. The two men, lying in wait kidnap him and take him to a deserted shack in the country.

At the beginning of the Cross Country Run, the next day, Tom is missing. Nita is greatly worried because he did not return home all night. Tom manages to break out of the shack, commandeer a horse and buggy and get to the start of the race just in time.

During the race, Merton bumps against Tom, causing him to lose his balance and fall over a cliff, badly injuring his leg; but Tom, determined to win the Run, re-enters and making a supreme effort, increases his speed until he passes all of the boys and finally Merton at the finish.

J. Rupert and Steve, dressed in funny track suits, enter the Run, and J. Rupert, fortunate in getting an opportunity to ride most of the way, unbeknown to Steve, wins, much to Steve's chagrin.

The story fades out with J. Rupert and Steve sitting on the finish line. Steve can't understand how Rupert got there ahead of him and Rupert can't understand what detained Steve.

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